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Baby Blue





いくえみ綾の傑作コミックス

初恋ゴールの向こうがわ
女の子ラブソニー
ボクとあそぼうか！
スターダスト3年め
樹と人のロマンス
夢をみた。

以心伝心のお月さん 全2巻

エンゲージ 全2巻

うたうたいのテーマ 全2巻

わたしは夢みる少女 全2巻

君たちはガラス 全2巻

天然バナナ工場

POPS 全4巻

彼の手も声も 全4巻

ベイビーブルー

みつめていたい ①



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♥須藤晴美は中学生。自分のまわりのあらゆることが気にくわない。担任はサイアクだし、冬休みは講習があるし、ねーちゃんやんの男は足がデカイし、同級生の志間は、人のことブスとしか呼ばないし……。そんな晴美と雑貨屋のおっさん・梅太郎との放課後ストーリー。『ベイビーブルー』
♥入学式以来一度も学校に來ない奴が、ある日学校に現われた……。そして始まる夏物語。(10年も20年も)

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ベイビー
ブルー



いくえみ綾









diinnngg

doonnnng

Every-
one -

IF YOU
COULD WRITE
SOMETHING ON
THIS CARD
OF DUTY
I'M HANDING
OUT RIGHT
NOW

WHAT YOU
WANT TO BE IN
THE FUTURE

Don't
forget to
write!

AND UM...
WELL, IT COULD
BE A CERTAIN KIND
OF JOB YOU WANT,
OR EVEN JUST
THE NAME OF THE
SCHOOL YOU WANT
TO GET INTO

THIS ISN'T
ANYTHING
FORMAL

IT'S JUST
SOMETHING I
THOUGHT WOULD
BE GREAT TO
KNOW AS YOUR
TEACHERS

SO
DON'T WORRY
YOURSELF OUT
OVER IT, AND JUST
WRITE WHAT YOU
TRULY FEEL!

What's
his name?

NAME

NAME

Just the
last name



This chick's
got her head
in the clouds
or what?

-Yeh.

EVEN IF IT'S
JUST A DREAM,
FEEL FREE TO
WRITE IT
DOWN...

WHY'D
YOU WRITE
DOWN?

HUH?



IF YOU DREAM
LATER UP IN THE
MORN, WRITE IT
UP IMMEDIATELY...

NOTHING'S
GOING TO
COME OUT OF
IT— OTHER THAN
ME BEING HAPPY
ABOUT ALL THE
DREAMS WE HAVE
AND STUFF.

JUST
WRITE DOWN
WHATEVER!

NOTHING
NOT

Akiyama

This summer, it's been decided that I
have to attend supplemental lessons.

Ughh... Talk about lame! I
even have to go when it's snowing!

Not only that, but my mom
ruined my precious doggy—

Without it I can't sleep!

And on top of that, my teacher's one
of those annoyingly chatter people.

Ughhh her voice grates my nerves!

I hate young female teachers!



Regular days are over and it's time for...

Time to learn about my life.





YOU'RE
HONESTLY ASKING
FOR SOME MONEY FROM
A PERSON YOU JUST
CALLED UGLY
AND A PITY

OH MY
GOD, COME ON! I
WOULDN'T BE ABLE
TO BUY LUNCH
OTHERWISE.

OH MY?



LEND ME
SOME CASH, WILLY?

THANKS
FOR THE
COMPLIMENT.



.....



I LIKE
YOU SO MUCH!
♡

THAT'S WHY



OH?
YOU'VE
GOT THE
HEART OF
GOLD—

There's
something
in it.



IT'S
SUN DAY
TOMORROW
MORNING!

MAHO
GLAD TO PLAY
MR. BUCK!



That
you
don't
want

Still
like
that

For
I
say

No—now



Alibaba

Alibaba

Parrot

HONK

Friends?

Yeah I hoggy song.

They're always talking
about stupid stuff.

My family's a
pretty normal life.

I have a big sis. She's in grade 11.

Eight before our last test, I counted up the
number of all the exams I'm going to have to
take. Once I'm in grade 11, plus all the ones
during high school, and when I did that!

My anger and annoyance multiplied three-fold

March 11th 1994

1994



NO IT WON'T.



I'm so stupid.



I'LL PROBABLY GET HOLES REAL QUICK.

HEY! YOU'VE BEEN HERE AT THE SAME PLACE FOR YEARS.

NO WAY! IT'S 250 YEARS AND A FOR 1000 YEARS!



FEEL FREE TO COME IN AND TAKE A LOOK AROUND TOO.

YOU THERE.



I'LL BUY ONE.

I'LL SEND YOU ONE.



BUT IT STILL LOOKS BRAND NEW!

SEE THIS SHIRT HERE?

I'VE BEEN WEARING IT REGULARLY FOR THE PAST YEAR.



The 100 yen I lent to Shiro was
my life savings for that month

AH HA HA HA HA



IT
LOOKS LIKE
IT'S GONNA
SNOW SOON
TOO!

IT'S
FREEZING
OUT!



NOT YET.

BECAUSE
IT DOESN'T
SMELL LIKE
IT YET.

SOON
DO YOU
KNOW??



SOON
WILL BE
YOU CAN
TASTES
SWEET
SWEET
TOO!

YOU'RE
SWEET
IN
HEART
BE!

WHAT
ARE
YOU
SAYING?

WHAT
ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT??

I
WANT
JUST
A
LITTLE.

WANTS
A MORE







Moriwaki

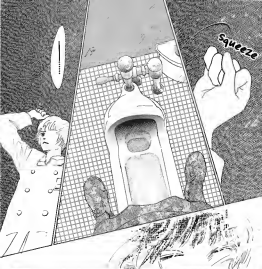
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YOU'RE
THE ONLY ONE
I DON'T
GET.

DO YOU
REMEMBER HOW
I ASKED EVERYONE
TO WRITE SOME
LITTLE APPRECIATIONS
ON THEIR THE OTHER DAY?

YOU...



SUDO-
SUDO!



ALREADY
OVER AN
HOUR
WFT.

RIGHT?



LOST THE
PAPER.

...



IT WAS
ONLY FOR MY
PERSONAL
INTEREST
ANYHOW...

SENSEI

WELL,
THAT'S ALL
ABOUT

TO THAT
STORY



THUD!



...As much as she
 damn well wants.



Baby Blue



Franklin D. Roosevelt Papers







. Wait.

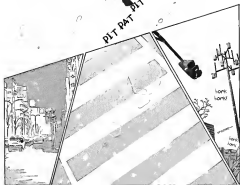


Wait





WILEY







AND ALL
DURING THE WINTER
BREAK I HAVE TO GO
TO THESE SUPPLEMENTARY
LESSONS. I DON'T EVEN WANT
TO! I DON'T EVEN KNOW
WHY I SHOULD EVEN
GO TO HIGH
SCHOOL.

MY TEACHERS
TALK 2D-3 OR
SOMETHING OR OTHER
CRAP, AND SHE'S JUST
SO STUPID! SHE DRESSES
IN THESE FOLLY
CLOTHES— DOES SHE
HONESTLY THINK SHE
CAN "SAVE" US
OR WHAT?

IT PASSES
ME OFF! MY MOM
KNOW THAT THAT
STUPID ADAM WAS
SOMETHING REALLY
IMPORTANT
TO ME!

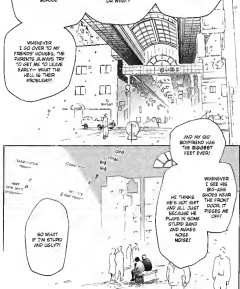
WHenever
I go over to my
FRIENDS' HOUSES, THE
PARENTS ALWAYS TRY
TO GET ME TO LEAVE
EARLY— WHAT THE
HELL IS THEIR
PROBLEM?

AND MY DAD
SOMEBODY HAS
THE BIGGEST
FEET EVER!

WHenever
I see his
BIG-ARM
SHOES NEAR
THE FRONT
DOOR, IT
FUCKS ME
OUT!

HE THINKS
HE'S HOT GUY
AND ALL JUST
BECAUSE HE
PLAYS IN SOME
STUPID BAND
AND MAKES
NOISE.
MOMET

SO WHAT
IF I'M STUPID
AND UGLY??





WELL,
YEA WE ARE
BUT...

EVERYONE
ALWAYS
TRIES TO PUT
EVERYONE
AND ANYONE
TOGETHER. IT'S
SO STUPID!
WHAT ARE
WE, KIDS?

I DIDN'T
DO ANYTHING
WRONG!

THERE'S
NO REASON TO
EMBARRASS ME
IN FRONT OF
EVERYONE!



SO
WHAT? IF
I WROTE DOWN
THAT I WANTED TO
BE A "HOUSEWIFE"
OR A "DAYCARE
WORKER", WOULD
THAT MAKE ME
HAPPY?

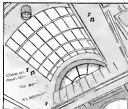
SHE HAS
NO RIGHT TO
MIDDLE IN OUR
LIVES WHEN WE
DON'T EVEN KNOW
WHAT WE WANT
TO BE YET.



THAT DOESN'T
MEAN I'M ASKING
TO GET HIT BY
SOMEONE!

EVEN IF
I'M WEARING AN
OPEN-NECKED SHIRT,
OR MY SOCKS ARE
TWO DIFFERENT
COLORS,

DAMNIT!





I DON'T EVEN
KNOW WHAT I'M
TRYING TO GET AT
RIGHT NOW...









Wait for us.





REALLY NOTHING



WHAT KIND
OF STUFF ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT WHEN
YOU ARE,
ANYWAY?



UGH! THOSE
GANGS ANNOY ME!
YOU SHOULD GET
IT OUT!



HEY.

GLAD.

FLINCH



Me-um.

"Since you called me 'Ugly', I didn't know who it was for a sec

Hey!



I called you ugly!

...This is exactly why



SMACK



Don't
you...

Have
anything
better to
say than
that?!







To throw
this away



go
to the
wash-
room



I better



HE'S
BEEN REALLY
GETTING ON
MY NERVES
LATELY!

HOW
I WANT
A TUTOR,
REALLY?

YOU
KNOW

My head's
hurting...

TOUGH

My head's
hurting...

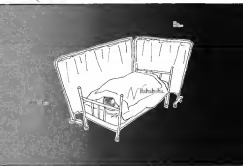
My head's
hurting...

It's horrible...



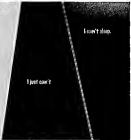
Nurse's Room







Why?
Because
Doctors
can't
tell
me.



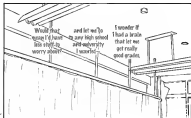
I just can't

I can't sleep.



might just be
wracking my head
over something that
has no answer.

L



Would that
mean I'd have
less stuff to
worry about?

and let me go
to any high school
and university
I wanted

I wonder if
I had a brain
that let me
get really
good grades.



and would
everything go
well for me?

Would I not
be pissed off
at anything.



And besides,
school isn't
what decides
a person.

Nah- That'd
be just plain
boring.

he
reminds
me of
Uncle Sam

.. Old dude.



I'm getting
pretty sleepy

.. Ahh

'cause it'd be
quaint to keep
calling him
"old dude".

I know! The
next time I see
him, I'm going
to call him
Uncle Sam





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CHAPTER 2

An usual day
at Jishou's
palace.



Loss.

Physical
makeup...

Disposition

...

...Stupefaction...



I CAN'T SEE A
FUTURE WITH
YOU





Someone
who gets
disposed to
become the
first case
case.



See below

From Gary Gary

COOOO

You already quit that place you were working at before right?

Y... Yea... Yea...

You should think about heading over here already!

Sorry he is?

Hey everyone! Shut up!

Aaaa

HAHAHAHAHA

Yaaa~

P... P... P...



The other guys've started talking about finding a replacement for you

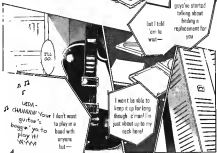
but I told 'em to wait—

I won't be able to keep it up for long though 'cuz I'm just about up to my neck here!

I don't want to play in a band with anyone but —

LEDA-
Your go like a
bagger! you to
play it!
WAAAA

AAAAAAAAA P... P...





UNITARD.



That's

one pathetic
unitard!

that happened
to me recently.



WHAT'D YOU
DO FOR
CHRISTMAS?





WELL
THAT...

WAIT
ABOUT
YOUR



SAYINGS

A PA-
THETIC
WAY TO
SPEND
CHRIST-
MAS

WAIT



WELL
IT TO
ME

HEY, I
ASKED
YOU A
QUESTION

OH MY
GOD!
TELL ME!

I DRANK
BEER.

GOT
DRUNK.

AND
FELL
ASLEEP!



AND I
SLEPT

I AM
CURSE
WITH MY
TENT.

I WANT TO
TAKE STUDY
LESSONS.

WELL
GOD!
I AM
KINDA SAD
TODAY









Shik Jan

Shik Jan



JY 0000

And that
crab-walking
tonage lea's
back at it
again too.



whistler —















I can't see —

I can't see a future with you.

I can't see — a future with you —

And it's asking
too much of me
to try to understand
him. I don't want to
be a middle
schooler.

I'm not out out
to be a busi-
ness man, I
tried, but I just

I'm going to live my life —

*I should find someone
good enough to be with —*

I'm going to live my life —

I'm going to live my life with him —



THUD



000000





YOU GOT
LOVE THIS.

THAT A
COMPLETE
STOUNGER.

WAS
REALLY
HAPPY, YOU
KNOW?

WOULD LISTEN
TO WHAT I HAD
TO SAY IN THIS
SNOWSTORM.

YOU JUST
SET THERE
AND LISTENED

WITHOUT
SAYING A
WORD.

...IF

Choko:
my a lady
when, here?

I PROBABLY
WOULD
CALLED YOU
A "NICKON."

AND GOTTEN
REALLY DE-
PRESSSED.

OR WHAT I
SHOULD BE
OR ANYTHING
LIKE THAT.

YOU HAD
TOLD ME
STUFF
ABOUT HOW
IT SHOULD
BE.



Is that's

all

It was?

THAT'S
WHY

IT
DOESN'T
MATTER

THAT YOU
DIDN'T ASK
ME FOR MY
NAME—

THAT'S
WHY

I WAS
REALLY
HAPPY

THAT YOU
DIDN'T SAY
ANYTHING—

MORE THAN
YOU'LL EVER
KNOW.

Oh...

Baby Blue

Learning
to be a person
is a hard
thing to do.

"Once you stop
having things
that get to you,
then you're
pretty much done
as a person."

"There's no point
in choosing the
easy way out."

"I'm stupid
too."





WELL THEN,
EVERY-
ONE!

WAGGIE IS
HAT A SANE
PERSON?

SHOULD

THIS IS IT
FOR
CLASS!!

KEEP
WORKING
HARD AT
IT!

AS WELL
AS THOSE
WHO
DIDN'T DO
SO WELL.

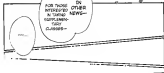
FOR
THOSE
WHO DID
WELL.

NEXT WEEK
IS THE
START OF
THE THIRD
TERM.

FOR THOSE
INTERESTED
IN TAKING
SUPPLEMEN-
TARY
CLASSES—

ON
OTHER
NEWS—

WELL...









"CAUSE I
STOLE A
FRIEND'S GIRL
BY SLEEPING
WITH HER

AHA
HA-
HA...

KUSTLE

THUD

HA...

EVERY-
THING
WENT
BACK TO
NORMAL
SOON
AFTER
THOUGH

Upst
about



What
is she
doing..?

She
was
not
supposed
to

WHAT DO
YOU DO
BESIDES
1545?

1545...



He's someone
who plays
the guitar.



Baby Blue







EVEN
MORE?

WILL
ONLY
ANGER
ME!

DON'T YOU
THINK THIS
KIND OF
SHOCKING
AROUND?

SENSEI.



...YES.



REGARD-
LESS OF
WHETHER I
LOOK INTO
THIS

BUT



OR NOT,
I'M NOT
GOING TO
BE ABLE TO
GET ANY
SLEEP AT
MOMENT
ANYMORE.

SO I
THOUGHT IT'S
BETTER TO
KNOW THAN
BE LEFT IN
THE DARK.



WHO GOES
OFF LOOKING
FOR
TROUBLE...

OUT...
SHE'S NOT
SOME-
ONE...

THEN THERE
WOULD'VE
BEEN MANY
WAYS OF
DEALING
WITH HER

IF SHE
WAS A
TROUBLE-
MAKER.

SHE'S NOT
VERY FOND
OF ME.

AND...

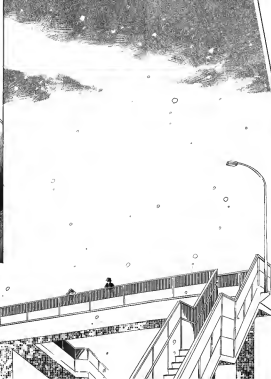
TO BLAME ABOUT
ALL THE THINGS
THAT GOT ON HER
NERVES THAT DAY,
AND ANYTHING ELSE
THAT POPPED INTO
HER MIND

AFTER SHE DOES
THAT, SHE HEARS
MORE. I'M JUST
ACTING THE PART
OF THE LISTENER.
NOTHING MORE.

—SOMEONE.

SHE
COMES
HERE
EVERY
DAY





SENDEL

PLEASE
FEEL FREE
TO REST
EASY AT
NIGHT...

WOOOM---

LAME-
TARD!

hmk

hmk

THUD

THUD

THUD

THUD

Is she
talking
about
me...?

7-
Inter-
est-
ing?

Something
interesting.

Some-
thing...

JUST WHEN I
THOUGHT I
FOUND SOMETHING INTER-
ESTING...

YES...

ALL
JUST
SACKS
GILLS...

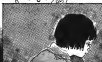
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DID YOU

HEY.



YEAR.

TO BE
AWARE OF
YOUR GLID-
ROUND-
BOOST?

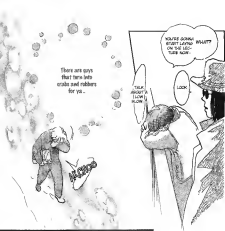
ALWAYS
MAKE
SURE



YOUR
PROBLEM-
LEATH?



ARE YOU
SURE?



HA-
HA-
HA-
HA-

I DON'T
WANT TO
KNOW

OKAY
THEN!
I'LL TELL
YOU

MY REAL
NAME!



shuichi

WANTING
TO ME

YOU'RE







STOP
LAUGHING!



The old
that
dressed
and

The teacher
(that was
a heavy on my
hair about one
foot or so
other

All right
that old one
go and rock
my fingers
on this
world

That holds
that find us
from this
company

They can
all just go
and fuck
themselves

Baby Blue

Okay, well,
you have to
go past
Hornmotsu

WHERE
DO I
NEED TO
GO FROM
HERE?

HAMADA

Hey,
Ueda?
Where are
you right
now?

and you have to
get on the Horn-
motsu Line. That's at
Tatsumochi-cho

you have to
switch to the
Senko Shingoku
line —

FLICK. THAT'S
COMING FROM
THE LEFT

HOW'D I
SUPPOSED
TO REMEM-
BER ALL
THAT?

Has he
started
remembering
things?





CHOCO-
LATES,
HANT



YOU'RE PLANN-
ING TO GIVE
THEM TO YOUR
BOYFRIEND?

I HET



GET DVS

noise

noise

noise

I DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHO HE
IS

YOU'RE SUCH
A LOSER FOR
LETTING A
CATCH LIKE
THAT GO



ONG
DONG

ONG
DONG

Baby Blue





Baby Blue





whistles—

EVERYONE
OUTTHER
TOGETHER

The End



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Baby Blue Chapter 3

10, Box 20, Box 20, Box 20

I
HATE
PEOPLE
LIKE
YOU

ALC-1001



10, EVEN

20 YEARS FROM NOW

THIS IS MY
SECOND TIME
COMING TO
SCHOOL.



THE
ENTRANCE
CEREMONY,
AND TODAY.



10, EVEN 20 YEARS FROM NOW

I'm the narrator. My
name's Konishi Minoru.
I'm in the swim club.

I'm going to tell you
about the summer of
my grade 10 year.



BellEeEPpP



Present 45 students
Absent 1 student (Ethan)
Total 46 Students

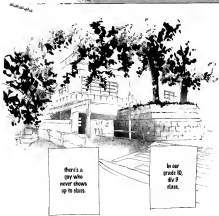
BOWW—

Thank!

I'm so
relieved
it's over!

over

over



there's a
guy who
never shows
up to class.

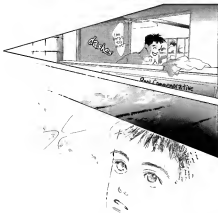
In our
grade 10,
div 3
class,

in just every-
their too one's
own caught
lives up.



but
lately,
interest
in his
wound.

in the
beginning,
everyone
made up all
sorts of
rumors
about him.







10, EVEN 20 YEARS FROM NOW



ARE YOU A SWIMMER?



WHAT
THE
HECK...



YOU
CAN'T
ENTER THE
POOL AREA
WITH YOUR
SHOES ON

WHA
YOU
KNOW



I WAS
WALKING BY WHEN I
SAW IT THROUGH THAT
WINDOW OVER THERE.
I THOUGHT IT'D BE
PRETTY COOL IN HERE
BUT IT'S ACTUALLY
PRETTY HOT!

THIS
POOL'S
AMAZING!







S/P
P
S



10, EVEN 20 YEARS FROM NOW

The world
was still a
small place
for us

and like
how we
would
remember
back to
the people
we used to
like before

Like how after doing
analysis from extending
all day,
and we go home only to
find our eyelids closing as
we try to concentrate
on the text in our
notebooks,

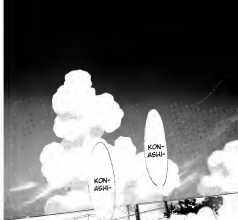
and how we
would always
think about the
people we like
now.

and like
how there
are times
when we're
perfect

and
how some
teachers
can get on
our nerves,

and like
how we
always
laugh,

our future
still lays somewhere
deep in the waters.



KON-
ASHI-

KON-
ASHI-



MORN-
ING,
KON-
ASHI!

IS IT TRUE
"TOUCHI" CAME
TO SCHOOL
YESTERDAY? DID
YOU SEE
HIM?

YEAH,
MORNING.

WHAT
KINDA
PERSON
WAS HE?
I WONDER
IF HE'S
COMING
TODAY
YET?



TOUCHI

KYA-



Jiggle





I know
he's getting
a rise out
of this.



Esch,
that
bastard--





That
looker—

I must believe he
can do something
like that to a girl
I've never even
met before.

Ahahahaha

GAHMER.

And she seems
a little TOO
happy about
it, if you know
what I mean.







I don't know who came up with 'em all, but they were all pretty fishy sounding to me.

I now returned back to all the rumors that were going around about him

"I heard he's in a hotel, and that he's been asked to a hotel so he doesn't have time to go to school anymore—"

"Well I thought he wanted to become a singer!"

"I heard he's really sick and that he doesn't have that long to live!"

"No way!"

"Well I heard I heard Squid's the love partner of a female student!"





I WANTED
TO SAVE UP
MONEY MORE
THAN I WANTED
TO COME TO
SCHOOL, YOU
KNOW?

Everyone enjoyed
just coming up
with whatever
they could
think of.

TO LIVE
THERE, TO
LIVE AND
WORK
THERE.

TO DO
WHAT?

WELL,
I'M GOING
OVERSEAS.

WHAT
ARE YOU
GOING TO DO
WITH THE
MONEY?



THAT I'M
TREADING ON
TWIN GROUND
WHEN IT
COMES TO THE
NUMBER OF
DAYS OF
ATTENDANCE
I NEED TO
GRADUATE.

...BUT I
RECENTLY
FOUND
OUT

OH...
PROBABLY AN
ENGLISH-SPEAKING
COUNTRY, EVEN
THOUGH I DON'T
SPEAK THAT MUCH
ENGLISH.

WHAT
COUNTRY
ARE YOU
GOING
TO—?

AND
MY MOM
CRIES

EVERY
ONCE IN A
WHILE, YOU
COME
ACROSS A
RACKLESS
GUY LIKE
HIM—

THAT'S
ME.

Shabaka



AT LEAST
GRADUATE
IT.



THAT I
SHOULD



WELL



TELLING
ME THAT

SINCE
I GOT
INTO HIGH
SCHOOL



Mi n
Mi n

He wasn't
at all like
the rumors
made him
out to be



KONASHI!



AAT



YO,
KONASHI!

















Ahahahaha

What the hell are you doing?!

Shounen's
Room



"SENSITIVE SUBJECT"

"I KNOW SOMEONE WOULD
JOSEPH, TO BE HONEST."

"SOMEONE
-SAYS PRETTY
POPULAR, YOU
KNOW?"

"YOU'RE STILL
HEARING A
VOICE TO
WALK UP
ABOUT THAT
SOMEONE-
THE-FOOL-
WALK TALK?"

"REAL, THIS
HAPPENS TO
SOMEONE
EVERY ONCE IN
A BLUE MOON"

"WALK UP"

"WALK UP"

"WALK UP"

"YOU'D
USUALLY
JUST STAND
UP AND
LEAVE"

"NOT ONLY IS
SHE RUDE, BUT
SHE'S A BEAST!
SHE'S GOING TO
GET ANY
WOMAN
THAT..."

"SOMEONE I
HAVE GOOD
GIRLS LIKE
HER!"

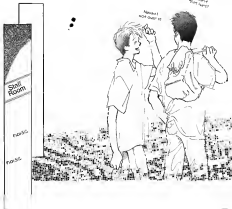
"PUSHED OUT
WASNT BECAUSE
OF THE HEAT, IT
WAS BECAUSE
THAT GUY
PUSHED ME AND I
WENT MY HAND ON
THE ALUMINUM
PIPE"

"JUST
SO WE'RE
CLEAR
HERE, THE
REASON
WHY I
NEARLY"

Even though
the apple of my
eye's a little
different









than the rest of
us. Sounds cool,
but that's how I
honestly felt.

he was not
out of a
different
sort.

that

I
felt

MR. ARYASHI-
SENPAI

WILL
YOU TELL
ME FOR
ME

THAT BOWEN
SEEMS LIKE HE
HATES GUYS WHO
BLUSH THERE AS
LIKE HE DOES?

This is
a test
card.



HM...

I'M SORRY
ABOUT THE
OTHER
GUY...

BUT
HM...

HE DOESN'T
SEEM THE NICEST
OF THINGS, BUT
DEEP DOWN HE'S
A PRETTY GOOD
GUY...

...THAT'S
WHAT I
THINK ANY-
HOW...
AND...







I
 OUGHT
 THAT'S
 KIND OF
 LIKE THE
 SAME
 THING

YES.

I'm going to
 throw it all
 away.

PROBABLY
 NOT, HANY
 ANA HANA

WHEN I WAS
 WASTING TO
 GET INTO THIS
 SCHOOL,

I WISHED THAT
 I COULD GO TO A
 COUNTRY WHERE
 THEY DIDN'T HAVE
 ENTRANCE
 EXAMINATIONS

and even
 the person
 that I love.

my friends,
 my family,

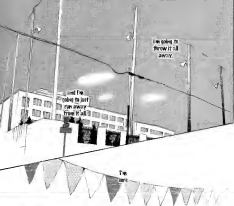
my
 school,

my
 house,

my
 favorite
 clothes,

books, CDs,
 and later-

My





What

DASHES

DASHES DASHES

Why do
I have to do
something
like this...

Damn-
H!

CLICK
BEEEEP

EGUCHI?!

THEY
TOLD YOU YOU
CAN'T MISS
A DAY OF
SCHOOL FROM
NOW ON, DIDN'T
THEY?!

WHY
DIDN'T YOU
SHOW UP TO
SCHOOL?!

DID YOU
COME DOWN
WITH THE
ALLIUMPS OR
CHICKEN
POX?!

HELLO?
WHO IS...



NO ONE
WAS
MIA

IT'S
JUST
A
SHOOT-UP
LATE
MORNING
AND
THE
POLICE
ARE
HERE



SCREW
—MEAN

IF YOU
CAN MAKE
IT BY 2ND
BLOOR,
YOU'LL BE
FINE!

I DON'T
NEED YOUR
EXCUSES. JUST
COME HERE!
RIGHT NOW!

PISS
OFF



REALLY
CARE
FOR

—

MURDER

JUST
SHUT UP
AND GET
YOUR
ASS
DOWN
HERE!

Ding Dong

DON'T
STOP!

C'MON!
RUN RUN!

THROW
ME IN!

HAHAHAHA

Re-ward! Get in here!

I thought he was your pupil

Hehehehe

I'm going to get
a flying kick
from a dude.

This is probably
the first and
last time

STOP YOUR WHINING! THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT!

NOOOO I DON'T WANNA DO PS!

I'M SCARED DE

I'M SCARED DE

What a mess is it

mi

mi

mi

I WONDER IF I SHOULD GO AND GO WITH HIM TO SCHOOL DURING THE BREAKS...

I'M KIND OF WORRIED ABOUT WHETHER HE'S GOING TO HAVE TIME TO GO TO HIS REMEDIAL LESSONS...

HEY

WHAT ABOUT ME TALKING TURNING DOING IT?

I'LL DO IT I HAVE CLUB PRACTICE EVERYONE ANYWAY

YEAH BUT...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THAT FAR FOR HIM. WHAT ARE YOU...



COLLAPSED
LIKE THIS
ONCE BEFORE,
HAVEN'T YOU?

YOU'VE



BE
MOMENT!

ALL
YOU
DO
IS
PUSH

YOU
WERE OUT
PARTYING
LAST NIGHT,
WEREN'T YOU?

WHAT?

AND YOU
RISK OF
ALCOHOL

LIKE I
SAID... THAT
WAS
BECAUSE OF
THE ALUM-
NIUM



YOU
SHOULDN'T
BE CARE-
LESS WITH
YOUR
HEALTH!

EVEN
THOUGH
YOU'RE
YOUNG,



Sometimes,



I feel

like a really
small person
being

First Term
**Ending
Ceremony**



WELL,
GOOD
LUCK!

OH RIGHT,
YOU HAVE THAT
BIG COMPETITION
COMING UP NEAR
THE END OF
AUGUST, RIGHT?

CLUB
PRACTICE

WHAT ARE
YOU GOING TO
BE DOING OVER
THE HOLIDAY?



Let's go home
together!

What are you
thinking?

Let's go home
together!

Let's go home
together!



knowing
that I'm
alone.

It's
tough at
nights

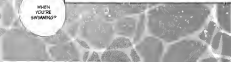
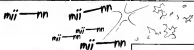
Ding dong

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Eguchi

Ding dong







*NAME OF AN OLD-OLD FROM THE 60'S

meowmeow, --i've so str--d!





SHE SAW
THE PACIFIC
OCEAN
STRETCHED
OUT BELOW
THE SKY OF
DAWN

SHE SAID
THAT WHEN
SHE LOOKED
OUT THE
WINDOW THE
DAY THEY
DECIDED TO
MARRY



THE KAHLE
ALONG THE
PACIFIC
OCEAN AT
DUSK



ER... I'LL
JUST SAY
THAT YOU
JUST SAID
THAT

IN OTHER
WORDS, IT
WAS RIGHT
AFTER THEY
HAD SEX.



IT'S SO
STUPID, DON'T
YOU THINK SO
TOO?



AND ONE DAY,
THE KAHLE TO ME
THAT THE KID THAT
BROKE UP MORRIS
TURNED OUT TO BE
A BOY RATHER
THAN THE PACIFIC
OCEAN.



THE FIRST BEING A SMALL PINK FLY



WAAA!

WAAA!

THERE'S
GONNA BE A
PREMIERE
ON TONIGHT. DO YOU
WANA COME
TOO?

OH
YEAH

OKUMURA
KAZUO'S
GONNA BE
THERE
TOO.



SHE'S THE ONE
THAT ASKED YOU
TO COME, DIDN'T
SHE?

THAT KIND OF
"THOUGHTFUL-
NESS."

WILL ONLY
END UP
HURTING
HER IN
THE END.



Selfish



ABOUT
THE FIRE-
WORKS.

I
DON'T
REALLY
CARE.

TO BE
HONEST
WITH
YOU...



NO...

I
WOULDN'T
THINK
THAT...



IT
WASN'T BEEN
THAT LONG
SINCE WE'VE
KNOWN EACH
OTHER.



JUST
COULDN'T
STAND
KEEPING
QUIET
ANYMORE.

I

BUT...



FOR
SAYING
THIS,
DON'T?

THAT
I'M SOME
FICKLE
GIRL.

BUT
PLEASE
DON'T
THINK



IT'S
REALLY
PRETTY

BUT
EVER
SINCE I
FIRST MET
YOU I...

I
DON'T
EVER
KNOW
WHY

I
LIKE
YOU.



BEFORE I
EVEN FOUND OUT
WHAT KIND OF
PERSON YOU
WERE I WAS
ALREADY IN LOVE
WITH YOU

THAT THERE
ARE LOVES
THAT START
LIKE THAT.

BUT I
JUST WANTED
TO TELL YOU
SO YOU
KNOW

I DON'T,
AND THAT'S
WHY IT
HURTS SO
MUCH.

I DON'T
EVEN
KNOW
IT AND
IT HELL
MYSELF





YOU
SHOULD

TAKE
YOUR
TIME

YOU
SHOULD FIND A
GIRL THAT YOU
SLOWLY FIND
YOURSELF
FALLING FOR

AND
NOT RUSH
THINGS



SO YOU'RE
BITTER OFF
FINDING A
BETTER GUY
THAN ME.

YOU'RE
REALLY
CUTE,
YOU
KNOW?



I'M NOT
REALLY SURE HOW
TO PUT THIS, BUT
YOU SHOULD FIND A
GUY THAT YOU DON'T
JUST FALL FOR
WITHOUT KNOWING
THE PERSON
FIRST.



A LOT
HAPPENED FOR
IT, I JUST
KNOW IT

YOU'LL
BE



I MEANT
MINE.

I
DIDN'T
MEAN
YOURS.

DON'T
WORRY IT'S
NOT MY FIRST
TIME!

WELL...
THE FIRST
ONE SHOULD
BE SOMETHING
THAT'S TO BE
SAVED...



NO WAY!!!

You took her you've been
around the block so

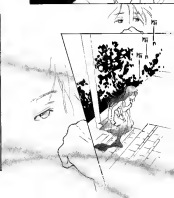






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I
HEARD
YOU'VE
BEEN
LOOKING
OUT FOR
HIM

YOU'VE
BEEN HANGING
AROUND THAT GUY
THAT REFUSES TO
COME TO SCHOOL,
RIGHT? THAT
BLUISH GUY?

HEY,



YOU'VE BEEN
WORKING HARD
WITH THE GOAL OF
ENTERING THIS MONTH'S
COMPETITION,
RIGHT?

HE'S NOT
EXACTLY
REFUSING
TO ...

WELL...

Oh...



BOYS LIKE
THAT WHO
DON'T COME TO
SCHOOL-

YOU
KNOW,

HAVE A BAD
HARDY GUY
UNDERSTAND
WHAT I'M
SAYING?



IF YOU LET
YOURSELF GET
INVOLVED WITH BOYS
LIKE HIM, YOU'LL ONLY
END UP GOING DOWN
WITH HIM

HE'S NOT
GOING TO
CHANGE
UNLESS HE
WANTS TO

NO
MATTER HOW
HARD YOU
TRY,

IT'S NOT
SOMETHING
THAT CAN BE
FIXED EASILY
EITHER



DON'T GO
FLOATING
AROUND LIKE
SOME DEAD
BODY,
DAMNIT!

I'M
SAIDING
THAT VERY
ATTITUDE
IS THE
PROBLEM

PUT YOUR
EFFORTS
INTO THAT
ALL
RIGHT?

IF YOU
WANT TO
HAVE
SOME-
THING TO
BE
Proud OF



I AM
Tough





I WAITED
FOR YOU!

S-SORRY

IF YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO COME
PICK ME UP, YOU
SHOULD'VE JUST
PHONED AND SAID
YOU WEREN'T
COMING!

YOU
KNOW,

I KNOW

I JUST...
OVERSLEPT

what?
I
THOUGHT
GO

I CAME
LATER... ON
PURPOSE...

WELL...
THAT'S NOT
REALLY
TRUE...

I LIKE
THE FACT
THAT YOU'RE
NOT A GOOD
LIAR



don't
even
know

I

IT'S
ONLY BEEN
A SHORT
TIME.

BUT
THANKS FOR
EVERYTHING

what's
what
anyway.

I
ASKED
YOU
WHY?!



.. I really did
feel like I was
going to start
crying.

I'M
GONNA QUIT
SCHOOL.

SWIMMER.

Am I going to be

why?

I did
end up
crying.

IT'S BECAUSE
KAZARI LIKES
ME INSTEAD OF
YOU, RIGHT?

OH
I GET IT!

AND
WHY ARE
YOU
CRYING?

WHAT'RE
YOU SO SAD
FOR?

bullyeys?

**G
Y
A
A
A**

WHY...
ARE YOU
CRYING
OUT?

YOU'RE
THE ONE
THAT SAID I
SHOULDNT
BE SO
"THOUGHT-
FUL!"



I WANTED
TO SAVE UP
MONEY AS
FAST AS I
COULD

I FELT
GAD TO
LEAVE HER
ALONE WITH
A PARENT
LIKE THAT

BUT I KNOW
FELT SORRY FOR
MY MOM THAT I'D
BE LEAVING
BEHIND, YOU
KNOW?

AND
LEAVE
FOR
SOME-
WHERE-



YOU
KNOW HOW
I WAS
WORKING A
SHIT-LOAD
OF JOBS
BEFORE I
CAME
HERE?

WELL,

"I'm going to throw it all away"



THAT OLD
MAD ACTUALLY
CAME IN. CAN
YOU BELIEVE
IT?

WHEN
I WAS
WORKING
A SHIT
ONE DAY.

SO I
COULD WORK
AS CLEAN UP
CREW AT LOVE
HOTELS, YOU
KNOW?

I
LIED
ABOUT
MY AGE

"my house, my school, my friends"



AND EACH
TIME, SHE
BROUGHT A
DIFFERENT
GUY WITH
HER

AND IT
WASNT JUST
ONCE OR TWICE
EITHER.



I WAS THE
ONE WHO
CLEANED HER
ROOM AFTER
THEY WERE
DONE

EVERYTIME
I CLEANED THE
ROOM AFTER-
WARDS, I FELT
LIKE I WAS
GONNA THROW
UP

I DIDN'T
KNOW WHY,
BUT I
COULDN'T
STOP THE
THOUGHTS...

.....

WELL,
THE OTHER
DAY, SHE
SUDDENLY—

BUT I
CAN'T LIVE
IN THE
SAME
HOUSE AS
HER ANY-
MORE

WHEN IT
COMES RIGHT
DOWN TO IT,
SHE'S MY MOM,
AND I STILL
LOVE HER, YOU
KNOW?

They're looking down to get another...

"What do you want to do? Can you want to stay with her?"

I'M GONNA
DO WHATEVER I
WANT TOO

NO
MATTER WHAT

I'M GONNA
DO WHATEVER I
WANT.



BLOOOOW



HOW
SHOULD I
KNOW?
DIDN'T I
YELLER
BLOW MY
NOSE?

WHY'D
HE STOP
CRYING
JUSTIFY?

WHAT
THE
FUCK?

A
H
A
H
A

OH, I
HAVE
SOME
TIGERS



DO YOU
WANT TO
COME TO MY
HOUSE?



WILL
THERE BE
SOMETHING
FOR ME
THERE?

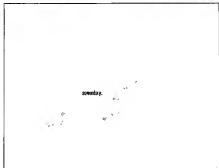
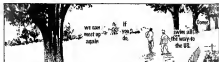
...



get
it as
soon.

You've





Whistle



is almost
drawing to
a close



My
story



THEY SAID
LEFT OVER LBS WAS
BACK TO BLACK AND
THAT THEY ALMOST
DENT RECOGNIZE
HIM!

Bye

Some of the characters
shown here

Bye.

It seems
the fog is
still thick
as ever.

Our future's
still not
clear-cut.

Well, I hope we
meet up again
someday.

What
does it
mean
when
you
say
goodbye?

Goodbye

Goodbye

Goodbye

Goodbye

Goodbye



Good morning!













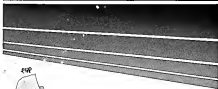


just the
beginning
for us.

It's
only



1/20





My name is

Nakabayashi Maki.

I'm turning 20 next month.



In the summer of my grade 11th year,
I had a unique experience.

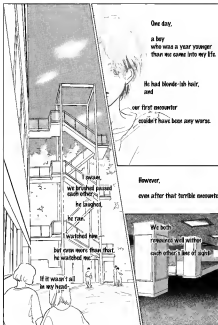


At that time, I had a boyfriend
who was going to university.

He's someone who tutored me
for my high school entrance exams.

I was in the swim club,
and I always spent my time
after school swimming in the pool.





One day,

a boy
who was a year younger
than me came into my life.

He had blonde-ish hair,
and

our first encounter
couldn't have been any worse.

However,

even after that terrible encounter

I guess
we brushed passed
each other.

he laughed.

he ran.

I watched him

but even more than that,
he watched me.

If it wasn't all
in my head.

We both

recovered well with
each other's line of sight.



Well,

no, I'm quite sure of it.



He was always watching me



That day-



It was
strange.

Before
I'd even come to
acknowledge it.

even before I realized
whether I was being
drawn to him or not

my eyes were constantly
following him.

He

whispered into my ear
in a small voice

that I had to strain to hear
saying

"Let's go to America."



He also said
"Just kidding."



After that.





I've
still here.

I still don't ever know
why tears came to my eyes.



Expanding my co-tutor
boyfriend

I broke up
with him
soon after that.

Apparently
he didn't like how
muscular my shoulders were getting
from all that outfeeding.

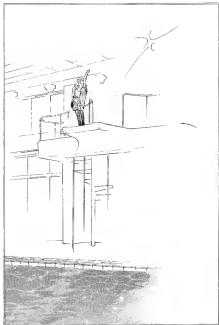
I wonder
what he's doing right now?

Whenever I think back to him,
I feel a small warmth spread
through my heart.

like the warmth of sunlight
pouring through the leaves of a
tree.

I wonder if now,
we would've fallen naturally in love

He turned out to be
a pretty dull guy.



An usual day
at Jishou's
palace.

